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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Mr. Buck, U. S. minister to Japan, died suddenly of apoplexy yesterday at Tokio. —— The Senate was in session yesterday an hour and five minutes. —— Great Britain and Germany have decided to go ahead in their joint action against Venezuela, the proposition of the latter not being satisfactory. —— Fourteen persons lost their lives in a hotel at Chicago. —— A number of witnesses, principally mine workers, testified before the strike commission at Scranton, Pa., yesterday. —— Johnstone, the actor, who murdered Kate Hassett, is dying at a hospital in Philadelphia. —— The Red river at Shreveport, La., is rising and the low lands are covered with water. —— The finance committee of the New York Chamber of Commerce says that the only thing that can be done to make our financial system safe and solid is to get down to one legal tender and that is gold. —— The mimic warfare of the blue and white squadrons of the U. S. navy will begin to-day in West Indian waters. —— Heavy rains in South Georgia have caused considerable damage. —— The cold wave struck Vicksburg, Miss., yesterday. —— N. Y markets: Money on call was firm at 3½@6½ per cent.; cotton—quiet at 8.50c; flour—was more active and firmer; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 79½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 36c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 36c; rosin steady, spirits turpentine dull, 53½@54c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 4

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 58 degrees; 8 P. M., 55 degrees; maximum, 62 degrees; minimum, 54 degrees; mean, 58 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 1.70; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 1.91.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 25 feet and rising.

STORM WARNING.

Southeast storm signals were displayed at 2:30 P. M. The storm was then central over northern Alabama, moving northeast. Brisk to high east erly to southerly winds, shifting to westerly Friday, were indicated.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 —For North Carolina: Fair Friday except rain in extreme east portion; high shifting winds becoming west; Saturday fair and colder.

Port Almanac---December 5.

Sun Rises	6.55 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 53 M.
High Water at Southport	11.24 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	1.54 A. M.

Mr. Pritchard seems to have been pulling some wool over Mr. Roosevelt's eyes. At least that's the way it looks.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew has sobered down considerably since he got married. He isn't making near as many after-dinner speeches as he formerly made.

A Minneapolis, Minn., gentleman tried the starvation remedy for an acute disease, and succeeded in curing it, but he had a nice funeral, for the treatment killed him.

Miss Mary Morton, youngest daughter of Levi P. Morton, is a good girl. She is said to devote her time and her money to caring for unfortunate children in New York city.

With four thousand live cattle recently landed in England from this country, for slaughter, the Beef Trust can't consistently plead scarcity of cattle as the cause of the high price of beef.

In the late strike the bituminous coal miners stood by the anthracite strikers. The secretary of the Mine Workers reports that they contributed $2,000,009 of their earnings to help the strikers.

The Chinese Government contemplates establishing a patent system and has sent a couple of bright fellows over here to study our system. When they do that they may pull out some of the things they invented five or six thousand years ago and patent 'em.

John S. Wise, "the only friend the negro has," told a Washington reporter that when the darkeys "stopped passing the hat Johny would stop talking." It may be inferred from this that while they continue to "pass the hat" he will continue to talk.

Rev. John S. Mosby, special agent of the Government Land office, who has been following up the land grabbers, reports that in one instance he found fenced in sixteen hundred square miles of government land which had been obtained by fraud and in another 3,688,000 acres obtained in the same way.

COUNTY'S FINANCES.

The Annual Report of Treasurer Green as to Receipts and Disbursements.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR.

Statement Examined by Auditing Committee at Regular Meeting Yesterday. Constable of Harnett Township Qualified and Gave Bond.

The first regular monthly meeting of the Auditing Committee of the Board of County Commissioners for the new fiscal year was held yesterday afternoon, all members having been present, viz: Chairman D. McEachern, Messrs. Gabriel Holmes and H. L. Vollers.

Aside from an examination and the formal approval of the newly executed bonds of all the county officials, the most important feature of the meeting was an examination of the annual report of county Treasurer H. McL. Green, showing the receipts and disbursements during the fiscal year of the general and special funds and the receipts and disbursements of the road, and road sinking fund, since March 4th, 1902, when the bonds for the permanent improvement of New Hanover thoroughfares were sold. An account of the township road fund is also renewed. A complete abstract of the Treasurer's statement is as follows:

General Fund, Dec. 1st, 1901, to Dec. 1st, 1902:

Receipts—Balance on hand, $17,410.72; property tax, $39,188.36; Schedule B tax, $5,686.09; back taxes, $2,387,34; jury tax and cost, $106.85; marriage licenses, $318.25; refunded taxes, $58.17; refunded attorney fees, $100; cash from road fund, $5,973.79; rents, $180.17. Total, $61,309.74.

Disbursements — Warrants paid, $41,258.05; loan to special fund, $500; loan to road sinking fund, $500; loan to road fund, $3,000; treasurer's commissions, $989.71. The balance to the new fiscal year is $16.061.98.

Special Fund, Dec. 1st, 1901, to Dec. 1st, 1902:

Receipts—Balance, 1,841.18; special taxes, $4,064.58; loan from general fund, $500. Total, $6,405.76.

Disbursements—Bonds paid, $?,000; coupons, $3,012.47; treasurer's commissions, $113.47. The balance to the new fiscal year, $1,279.82.

Road Fund, from March 4th to Dec. 1st, 1902:

Receipts—Sale of bonds, $50,000; premium on bonds, $1,312.50; loan from general fund, $2,000; sale of mule, $140. Total, $53,452.50.

Disbursements — Warrants paid, $28,662.28; treasurer's commissions, $926.72. The balance to the new fiscal year, $23,863.50.

Road Sinking Fund, March 4th to Dec. 1st, 1902:

Receipts—Interest on money from sale of bonds $926.03; loan from general fund, $500. Total. $1,426.03.

Disbursements — Coupons paid, $1,125; Treasurer's Commissions, $35,63. The balance to the new fiscal year is $275,40.

Township Road Fund:

Receipts—Balance on hand, Cape Fear township, $37,67; Harnett, $317,77; Masonboro, $50.07; Federal Point, $1,98. Total, $307,49.

Disbursements—By warrants paid, Harnett, $37,93; Masonboro, $38,62; Cape Fear, $3,20; Treasurer's Commissions, $4,91. Balance to New fiscal year, $217.68, divided among the townships as follows: Cape Fear, $19,16; Harnett, $175,96; Masonboro, $20,58; Federal Point, $1,98.

When the Treasurer's report had been passed upon by the Committee yesterday afternoon Mr. J. A. Dean, of Delgado, constable-elect of Harnett township, appeared before Chairman McEachern and took the oath of his office. He also executed a bond for the faithful performance of his duties in sum of $500 with Messrs. E. C. Holt and Walter Williamson as sureties.

Speaker Did Not Arrive.

The meeting of the Wholesale Grocers' Association of Wilmington, appointed to be held in the Merchants' Association rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was postponed on account of the non-arrival of President J. A. VanHoose, of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association, who was expected to address the meeting. President VanHoose will probably arrive later this week.

Funeral This Afternoon.

The funeral of Miss Elizabeth G. Kirkham, whose death occurred Wednesday night at 8:55 o'clock at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirkham, No. 507 South Fifth street, will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from Grace M. E. Church. The interment will be in Oakdale.

Handsomely Remembered.

Fayetteville Observer: "The congregation of the First Baptist church, this city, have presented to Rev. A. T. King, supply from Wilmington, who has been so acceptably filling the pastorate of that church since the resignation of Rev. S. J. Porter, a handsome gold watch and chain, in recognition of his services."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy of Music—To-night.

Academy of Music—Middleton Stock Company.

STOLE MONEY AND MEDALS.

Residence of Mr. Thomas Maxted Burglarized Night Before Last and Many Valuables Stolen—No Clue.

Eighty-two dollars in cash, two medals for heroism in war bearing the name of the owner, an overcoat, fine suit of clothes and a lot of valuable trinkets made up the booty of a systematic burglar who rifled a number of chests in the residence of Mr. Thomas Maxted, an Englishman, corner of Third and Dawson streets, night before last or before light yesterday morning.

Mr. Maxted is at present employed as watchman on the British steamer *Harbart*, now in port, and is away from home at night. No one lives with him, and the money stolen represented savings for many months, with which he hoped to put his house in readiness for the coming of his wife and daughter from the North within the next few months. When he returned from aboard the steamer yesterday morning after his duties for the night, he found the front door of his house open. Investigation disclosed that the keys to the chests had been taken from a table drawer in the room where they were usually kept, the chests opened and the money and valuables stolen. One of the medals was of gold and was presented to Mr. Maxted by the Humane Society, of Boston, for bravery in saving five lives at sea on the Spanish Main, Central America, years ago when the owner was a member of the U. S. Navy on the U. S. S. Fortune. The other was an English silver medal for bravery in the Crimean war under Admiral George Rodney Mundy, and each bore the name of Mr. Maxted and a suitable inscription.

Mr. Maxted not only found the door of his residence opened when he returned home but a scuttle in the ceiling was also open, which leads him to believe that the burglar secreted himself in the loft of the house the day before and located the keys in the table drawer, when he saw the owner go into the chest to get some change to make a remittance by money order for some stock that had been bought. There is no clue to the identity of the burglar or burglars.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Chamber of Commerce didn't meet yesterday afternoon on account of the lack of a quorum.

— The gentlemen members of the Golf Club are invited to take part in an approaching and putting contest on Saturday afternoon. Prizes will be given and lunch served.

— The dredge *Watcoosa*, of the Diamond Steamboat and Wrecking Co., is engaged in dredging a log pond for the Cape Fear Lumber Co. at its mill in the northern section of the city.

— The debris at the passenger station of the Coast Line, which was recently burned, is being torn away to make place for the new building which the company will erect on the site.

— Clarence L. McCoy has given notice that he will apply to the Commissioners of Brunswick county to retail liquor at North West, on the Carolina Central railroad a short distance beyond Navassa.

— The young folks will tender a "social evening" at the annex of the First Baptist church to-night from 8 to 11 o'clock. Refreshments, music and other artistic features are promised. A general and cordial invitation is extended. Admission free.

— The schooner *Glenfield*, Jacksonville to New York, in distress at Southport, was formerly the schooner *Vidette*, 495 tons, owned by Harold Weston & Co., of Jacksonville, Fla. Capt. Culbeth had heard nothing yesterday from his owners as to the disposition of the vessel.

— Mr. H. E. Bonitz, the architect, is making plans and specifications for a handsome banking house for the Bank of Whiteville, which was recently organized. The structure will be two-story and of Washington hydraulic white press brick.

— The steamer *Highlander* did not arrive as usual yesterday from Fayetteville on account of a very heavy freight which she is bringing down and the rough weather. The steamer was expected last night with 200 bales cotton, 400 barrels rosin and 100 barrels tar.

— The fourth number in the Star Course of Entertainment at the Y. M. C. A. next Tuesday evening will be "Spedon," the famous cartoonist and caricaturist, of New York. The entertainment given by him is said to be especially fine and warranted to drive dull care away.

— Ben Jackson and Norman Lindsay, both colored, for engaging in an affray at Fourth and Bladen streets, were brought to the station house yesterday by Policeman C. G. Jones while court was in session. The prisoners were given speedy trial, each being required to pay the costs.

— Cicero Smith, colored, originally charged with the larceny of a dinner pail from Jim Mack at the Champion Compress, was let off upon payment of costs in the municipal court yesterday. Mack refused to prosecute the defendant for a more serious offence than disorderly conduct.

— Editor Josephus, Daniels of the Raleigh *News and Observer*, was a very welcome visitor at the STAR office yesterday. He is here to attend Conference.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Second Day's Session Yesterday Marked by a Large Attendance.

Proceedings of the Great Body of Methodists—Timely Remarks by Bishop Smith—More Young Men Wanted for the Ministry—Interesting Reports Were Heard.

The North Carolina Conference convened at 9:30 o'clock yesterday, with Bishop A. Coke Smith in the chair. The opening religious services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Norman, of Trinity church, Durham. While the secretary was preparing to read the minutes, the Bishop took occasion to exhort the preachers not to forget the power and place of song in Methodist history, reminding them that Methodism had sung its way across two continents, and should not neglect this arm of power.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

On motion, the further calling of the roll was dispensed with. The districts were called and laymen not present Wednesday were enrolled.

Question seven was called: "Who are the descons of one year?" W. P. Woodal, Rufus R. Grant, J. M. Stanford, E. R. Welch, H. M. North, J. F. Bivens, C. F. Reid, J. E. Dixon and Jesse L. Cuninggim were called, and having stood the required examination their characters were passed and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Question two was called: "Who remain on trial?" The names of J. M. Culbreth, E. M. Snipes, W. A. Jenkins, W. E. Brown, W. P. Constable, R. E. Porter, William Love, W. H. Webster and J. A. Rood were called, and their characters passed and they were advanced to the class of the third year.

Question 19 was called: "What preachers have died during the year?" Ans. R. J. Moorman and G. O. Green; their names were referred to the committee on memoirs.

Question one was called: "Who are admitted on trial?" The applications of W. H. Brown, James E. Saunders, J. H. Buffaloe, were presented, and having stood the required examination, and being recommended by the committee on admissions they were by vote of the Conference received on trial. This is the smallest number of applicants that the Conference has had in many years, and this fact called forth some vigorous statements from the presiding Bishop. There is he said, the same cry coming up from all parts of our wide extended territory—*scarcity of preachers*. Twenty-one charges of this Conference were filled last year by supplies. What is the matter with the church? Why is it that more men are not being called into the ministry. Is the commercialism of the age sapping the life of the church? It is a fact, he said, that most of the young men who do enter the ministry come not from homes of wealth, but from the humbler walks of life. Preachers ought occasionally to present the claims of the Christian ministry to their congregations. The Bishop here called the Conference to prayer, and requested Dr. Kilgo to lead, which he did in a fervent petition for "more workers in the vineyard." After the prayer there was an animated discussion of the same question participated in by Dr. Kilgo and others; evidently there is considerable divergency of opinion as to the cause leading up to the dearth of young men entering the Conference.

The report of Littleton Female College was presented by President Rhodes; it shows that this institution has 21 officers and teachers, and has enrolled during this Conference year 158 boarding pupils from six different States. This is the largest boarding school patronage of any Methodist school for young women in the State. The value of college property, real and personal, is estimated at $30,000. For twenty years Littleton Female College has been paying special attention to the work of preparing young women to teach, and for the last several years the demand for these prepared teachers has been greater than the supply. This college, like many others, is hindered in its work by the lack of preparation on the part of pupils who apply for admission. The church should establish more and better preparatory schools and the Legislature should be asked for larger appropriations for common school work.

The Rev. Dr. C. F. Reid, fresh from the mission fields of the East, addressed the Conference upon the great problems that confront the church of to-day. With great zeal and earnestness he pointed out the marvellous progress of commerce and political civilization in unchristian lands; they need and must have the Gospel of Jesus Christ to reach the highest civilization; without this gospel their increasing power is a menace to the peace of the world. If the Anglo-Saxon of to-day is superior to all others it is only because of what the gospel of the Son of God has done for him.

The Secretary of the Correspondence School of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Nashville, Tenn., was called upon and addressed the Conference briefly on the organization and work of the school.

He called attention to the organization of the school in connection with the General Board of Education and Vanderbilt University and gave some facts as to the progress of the work up to the present. Special emphasis was laid upon the aim or purpose of the Correspondence School, which the speaker stated to be "the extension of ministerial education."

Mr. Cuninggim urged the necessity of the extension of ministerial education in its breadth or scope. There has been more or less objection to the special training of the ministry and in part the reason has been the fact that the education has been too rigid too narrow. There is need for enlarging the opportunities and broadening the scope of the ministerial education until the needs of the church can be supplied, the need for scholars, for missionaries, for city workers, pastors, etc.

The speaker spoke also of the need for making ministerial education more available, so that not a few simply of the more fortunate young preachers can share its benefits, but that all may have some assistance. To this end the Correspondence School offers courses by correspondence to take the benefits of ministerial education to those who cannot go to the Seminary. These, together with reading courses, institutes, etc., will give the advantages of the Correspondence School to as many of the preachers as desire to avail themselves of them.

Headmaster Bivins, of Trinity Park High School, made his report and stated that recently a meeting in the school, conducted by himself and President Kilgo, had resulted in the conversion of nearly every unconverted student in the school. Dr. Yates, Dr. Moore, Mr. Cunninggim and President Kilgo spoke of the high order of work that is being done by Mr. Bivins at the school.

The Raleigh Christian Advocate, re-established at Raleigh four years ago, has had a remarkably successful history. It started with a subscription list of less than 2,800 names, and in less than two years it had increased to over 6,000. It started with no capital whatever, and has managed every year to make the receipts greater than the expenditures. This year its profits have amounted to a sum which would pay nearly a 20 per cent. dividend. Of course this will not be declared as part will be devoted to the payment of debt incurred in buying the plant, equipment, etc. The paper circulates in a dozen different states, the bulk of the subscribers being in the North Carolina Conference. Rev. T. N. Ivey has been editor ever since its re-establishment. The paper exerts a strong influence in the State, its editorials being extensively copied. One was quoted in the North American Review for October.

After announcements for various Board and Committee meetings during the afternoon, the Bishop gave notice that he would receive into full connection the class of the second year, during the morning session of to-day.

At 1:25 P. M. the Conference adjourned with the doxology and benediction by Bishop Smith.

Last night a great crowd despite the threatening weather, heard an excellent address by Prof. Hannill.

To-day all members of the Conference with their wives and children will be taken for a complimentary trip to the ocean. Four special cars have been chartered and will leave front and Princess streets at 2:30, 3:40, 2:50 and 3 P. M. Tickets may be had free of charge at the church.

During the progress of the morning session, there came occasional flashes of striking truth from the Episcopal chair—such as these: Brother, I hope the time will speedily come when we shall all realize that baptized ignorance is not faith.

I dislike to hear the Sunday school called the nursery of the church; that is the reason why you can't hold the young men who begin to sprout a moustache; it is not a nursery but an organization in which all the members of the church should study the word of God.

If I could not lead my family in prayer I would buy a prayer-book and read one; I would rather walk on a crutch than to lie on my back all the year.

There is a great deal of sanctimonious meanness in the anti-mission spirit.

The man who has the chance to minister to the needs of the waste places has an opportunity that an angel might covet.

The best text book in religion is a Godly life.

The greatest factor in education is the personal element of the teacher leading the young mind to Christ.

Saint Mark's Vestry.

The following were elected vestrymen of St. Mark's P. E. church for the ensuing year: J. W. Norwood, senior warden; James Lane, junior warden; A. E. Jackson, treasurer; J. J. Guyer, secretary; Chas. Mallett, E. G. Story, V. Howe, J. H. Howe and Dallas Chesnut.

ABOUT THE SIMS KILLING.

There Were No Developments Yesterday. Coroner's Jury at Lumberton Held Inquest—The Circumstances.

There were no developments here yesterday in the matter of the death at Lumberton of the white man, B. F. Sims, as the alleged result of a blow received here last week at the hands of Jesse W. Cooper, of Wilmington. The authorities still refused to make an arrest of Mr. Cooper on a telegram and Mr. Cooper is not fearful of the consequences, even should he be arrested.

Acting Coroner E. F. MacRae, of Lumberton, held an inquest yesterday over the body of Sims and returned a verdict that he came to his death as the result of the wound in the head, received at the hands of Cooper. A post mortem disclosed the fact that there was a hole in the man's skull the size of a dime. It is said that the weapon used by Mr. Cooper was a piece of scantling instead of a chair, and that Sims was not fined for entering the house before the Mayor, next day, at his (Cooper's) request.

The immediate cause of Sims' death was lockjaw. Returning to Lumberton from Wilmington last Friday, he stopped at Pate's boarding house before going to his home in the country. He made no complaint until Monday, when he ate very little breakfast, and at noon a physician was summoned. He removed the scab from the wound on the head and a quantity of pus came out. The following afternoon the patient was seized with lockjaw and died that night. According to his own confession Sims was drunk when he entered Cooper's residence, and said he mistook it for the Fulton House, in another part of the city, where he was a guest.

THE GREAT MARTYNNE COMPANY.

Pleased a Large Audience in the Academy Last Night.

Regardless of the very inclement weather a large audience greeted the inaugural performance of the Great Martynne Company last night at the Academy, and were repaid with a splendid show. The performance consisted entirely of well selected vaudeville and pleased everyone. A comedy musical sketch by the Esterbrooks was greatly enjoyed, as was also the trick bicycle riding by Mr. Harvy Fisher. There were also other pleasing numbers.

The big features of the entertainment were the electrical spectacular dances of the Great Martynne and Prof. Shedenau's dog circus. Both were par excellence in their respective lines and need to be seen to be appreciated. The dog show was really wonderful and ended with a fifty-foot high dive by one of the canines.

The engagement of the company is for three nights, with a special children's matinee to-morrow afternoon. Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents, will prevail throughout. Seats for to-night's performance, which will be different from that of last night, are on sale at Plummer's.

THE KIND-HEARTED ELKS.

Poor Children Will be Remembered in a Substantial Way in Wilmington.

The STAR learns that at a meeting of the Elks last night, headed by that big hearted member, Henry Gerken, it was decided to provide all the poor children of the city with a magnificient Christmas feast and to see that each one experiences something of the joy and gladness traditional with the holiday. The action is commendable, highly commendable, and is just one of those acts of human kindness for which the Elks are famous the world over. The details of the movement have, of course, been left with competent committees, who will see that the charity is extended in a manner worthy of the motives which prompted it.

Tried to Rob a Restaurant.

An attempt to rob a restaurant owned by a negro named Blocker, on Water between Redcross and Walnut streets, was made night before last by unknown parties. The buglars ascended to the roof of the building, knocked out the skylight and ran a plank down through the opening upon which they hoped to walk into the place, but the plank, which had been stolen from a nearby building where carpenters were at work, proved to be too short and it fell with a loud report, frightening the intruders away.

Germania Lodge, K. of P.

Germania Lodge, K. of P., last night elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: C. C.—G. F. Seitter; V. C.—S. Behrends; P.—M. Bremer; Master of Work—H. Gieschen; M. of E.—F. W. Ortmann; M. of F.—H. L. Vollers, K. of R. & S.—John Haar; M. at A.—C. F. VonKampen; I. G.—M. Schnibben; O. G.—John F. Sole; Trustees—J. G. L. Gieschen, C. F. VonKampen and John H. Kuck.

Week of Popular Repertoire.

The Middleton Stock Company will begin a week's engagement, except Tuesday evening, at the Academy Monday night. Following is the list of plays to be presented: "Nature's Nobleman," "Faust," "The Tide of Life," "Michael Strogoff," "Monte Cristo," "John Martin's Secret," "Caprice" and many others. Ladies will be admitted free Monday night, when "A Parisian Princess" will be the bill. Seats will be on sale Saturday morning.

N. C. S. G. OFFICERS.

Election Yesterday at Goldsboro for the Second Regiment of the Guard.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES.

Wilmington Honored in the Selections. Naval Reserves at Newbern Chose Brigade Commanders and Attended to Other Business.

The commissioned officers of the several companies composing the Second Regiment N. C. S. G., met in Goldsboro yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers:

Colonel—H. C. Bragaw, Washington.

Lieutenant Colonel—T. C. James, Wilmington.

Major 1st battalion—C. B. Elliott, Edenton.

Major 2nd battalion—T. S. Pace, Wilson.

Major 3rd battalion—G. B. Sellars, Maxton.

There was a full representation of all officers and companies of the regiment. The officers are all representative men and will be a credit to the regiment and the State. The visiting officers at Goldsboro were handsomely entertained by Co. D., Second Regiment, and Co. B., First Regiment of that city. Resolutions were adopted expressing thanks to the militia of Goldsboro for the hospitality to the visitors.

Naval Brigade Officers.

In accordance with General Order No. 12 from the office of Adjutant General B. S. Royster, the quadrennial election of officers for the Second Battalion, North Carolina Naval Brigade, took place at Newbern Wednesday night. Commander T. C. Daniels was unanimously re-elected and Dr. J. H. White, of Elizabeth City, was unanimously elected Lieutenant Commander. Those present at the meeting and represented by proxy were Lieuts. C. D. Bradham and C. J. McSorley, and Ensign J. H. Weddell, of Newbern; Ensign S. K. DeVaney, of Wilmington; Lieuts. Smithwick and Sutton, of Windsor; Lieut. Crawford and Ensign Saunders, of Elizabeth City. The election for the First Battalion of the Brigade will be held later, as soon as the same is recruited by the addition of another division, which will doubtless be organized very soon. Capt. W. T. Old, of Elizabeth City, has been re-appointed by the Governor. Ensign DeVaney, who represented the Wilmington Division at the Newbern meeting, returned yesterday, a day sooner than he had expected.

NEW COAST LINE STOCK.

Terms Upon Which It Will be Issued to Present Shareholders.

The following Associated Press telegram from New York was received last night:

"The Atlantic Coast Line directors have issued a circular to stockholders informing them that they may subscribe at $125 per share to the $15,000,000 new stock to be issued in part payment for the $30,600,000 of Louisville and Nashville stock par value. Each stockholder will be entitled to subscribe for an amount equal to 40 per cent. of his holdings."

"At Home" to Friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Henry Haar, who were lately married in New York city, were "at home" to friends from 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon until 11 o'clock, same evening, at their pretty residence No. 408 South Fifth streets. Many friends called during the reception hours and tendered happiest congratulations upon the union of the host and hostess. The home was tastily decorated with plants and flowers for the occasion and at intervals delightful refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Haar were charmingly assisted in the reception of visitors by Mrs. J. T. Runge, Miss Lottie Haar, Miss Annie Adrian and Messrs. A. L. Price, J. D. Doscher, Jr., and Edwuard Ahrens.

Mr. R. D. W. Connor To Wed.

Friends have received handsomely engraved invitatations, bearing the following announcement: "Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hanes request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Sadie, to Mr. Robert Digges Wimberley Connor, on Tuesday, December the twenty-third, nineteen hundred and two, at four o'clock, at "Oakland," Mocksville, North Carolina." Mr. and Mrs. Connor will be at home after December 31st, 504 Orange street, Wilmington, N. C.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Maud Tyler, of Wilson, is a guest of Mrs. Jno. F. Garrell.

— Foreman B. R. Russell, of Engine Co. No. 1, returned last night from the firemen's tournament at Charleston, which he says was not a great success on account of unfavorable weather.

Dr. Blackwell on a Tour.

Dr. Blackwell goes to Charleston, S. C., to-morrow to address a mass meeting of young men in the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon, and to fill the Citadel Square pulpit morning and night. He lectures Monday night in the Citadel auditorium on "Orators and Oratory." Wednesday, the 10th., he returns to Durham to preach the annual sermon before the Baptist State Convention.

MR. JAMES L. CORBETT DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Sampson County Passed Away Yesterday—Funeral.

News reached the city last night of the death of Mr. Jas. L. Corbett, a prominent citizen of Sampson county, residing near Ivanhoe. Mr. Corbett died yesterday evening at 6 o'clock, after a long illness, in the 87th year of his age. He was the moving spirit in the establishment and maintenance of Black River Presbyterian chapel and was an elder of the congregation for many years. He was a true Christian gentleman in every sense of the word and his death is a distinctive loss to the community in which he lived.

Mr. Corbett leaves a number of relatives, among them his sons, Messrs. W. M. Corbett, Jr., of Olga, N. C.; F. R. Corbett, of Shannon, N. C., and his daughters, Mr. R. F. Herring, of Clinton; Mrs. J. B. Moore, of Burgaw; Mrs. L. J. Merriman, of Ivanhoe, and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, of Delta, N. C.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the late residence.

BLADEN MURDERER CAPTURED.

Brought to the City Last Night by Sheriff Burch, of Florence.

Sheriff T. S. Burch, of Florence, S. C., arrived last night on the Charleston train, bringing to the jail here a negro named Martin Van Buren Williams, charged with the murder about two years ago of another negro named Edmond Anders, at Council's Station, Bladen county. Williams will be kept here until March; then he will be taken to Elizabethtown for trial.

Sheriff Burch captured the negro day before yesterday near Bainbridge, Miller county, Ga., and is certain he has the right man by an unmistakable sign in the prisoners nose, but the negro, while confessing to his name, denies that he is wanted for a crime. There is a reward of $50 for Williams' capture, the crime having been in cold blood and the victim a negro of good character, who was remonstrating with a crowd of others, Williams among the number, for shooting pistols promiscuously at a party, when he was shot down.

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Report of Treasurer for Months of October and November, 1902.

Receipts — New Hanover county, $250; Mr. and Mrs. P. Pearsall, $5; Mrs. Elizabeth Latimer, $2.50; Wm. Latimer, $2.50; Mrs. W. L. Parsley, $25; Mrs. James I. Metts, $25; a friend, $10; cash, $10; E. S. Martin, Esq., $30; a friend, $100; Mrs. M. E. Bridgers, $25; Miss Emily Bridgers, $25; Mrs. Alice Everett, $1; Mrs. Junius Davis, $5; John Kuhlken, $1.50; Martin Rathjen, $2.50; Mrs. John W. Atkinson, $5; W. B. Cooper, $10; cash, $40; cash, $10.

Disbursements—Secretary's salary, $50; Catharine Kennedy Home, $25; groceries, $284.25; rent for those in need, $22; cash help, $7; janitor, $4.50; wood, $13; shoes, $1.50; railroad fares, $6,38; nourishment for sick, $1.50; postage, 35c; cleaning office, 50c.

Dr. Ivey Taylor Will Marry.

Friends of Dr. William Ivey Taylor, formerly of this city, will be interested in the announcement that on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17th, at 7 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, 818 North Tryon street, Charlotte, N. C., he will wed Miss Roberta Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Greene Hood. Dr. Taylor was formerly one of the clerks at the wholesale and retail drug store of R. R. Bellamy & Co., of this city, but has since graduated at the N. C. Medical College, at Davidson, and has entered upon the practice of his profession.

Horse Into a Live Wire.

At Third and Princess streets yesterday morning a span wire of the street railway electric line was blown across the trolley wire and heavily charged with the current. A hack, in which Mr. Geo. Rountree was riding, passed about the time the wire fell and the horse attached to the vehicle ran straight into it. The animal was knocked down by the shock and severely burned about one of his knees. Otherwise there was no damage.

Holly For the North.

Duplin *Journal*: "The woods are full of people cutting holly for shipment North. Four car-loads of 100 crates each have been shipped here and all along the W. & W. R. R. from Goldsboro to Wilmington quantities of holly are being gathered for the Christmas and New Year decorations. The prices paid for the holly is but little and the people could get more for it if they would ask for it. The price has advanced from 50 to 75 cents per box and will no doubt go higher as competition grows stronger."

Bad Effect on Lettuce.

The continued rains and damp weather during the past week or ten days has had a bad effect on the lettuce beds in East Wilmington and the hitherto very bright prospect for a profitable season has been somewhat blighted. Northern quotations yesterday ranged from $1.50 to $2.00 per basket.

Been There Before.

In noting the arrival of the Wilmington convicts at the State penitentiary the Raleigh *Post* says: "Captain Fleming, warden at the penitentiary, recognized Williams as a former inmate of the state prison. He is an old rounder and always in trouble. Orange Jesse has made something of a reputation, too, as a bad egg."

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5.

A REMINDER FROM BOSTON.

A few days ago Senator Frye, of Maine, was interviewed on the Tariff and Trust questions. He expressed himself as totally opposed to tariff revision in any shape and when reminded that there were a good many people in New England who want tariff changes he replied that these were only in Massachusetts, and Massachusetts was full of cranks. He was in favor, however, of some legislation to regulate trusts. Commenting upon this interview the Boston *Commercial Bulletin* remarks as follows:

In that remarkable interview Senator Frye expressed the statement that Massuchusetts is a mere collection of cranks, that nothing is desired in the way of tariff changes and that the chief duty of Congress is to pass a ship subsidy bill.

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Teere isn't a New England business man who wauts a duty on hides, for example. The way to secure free hides is not to fling open our market as a gift but to open our markets to the great hide producing nation, Argentina, if Argentina will open her markets in exchange to American farm implements and furniture, for instance.

In like manner the duty on coal is an offence to the nostrils. New England, not a few cranks in Massachusetts merely, wishes the coal duty abolished. Here is another opportunity for the Senate to do business without any gensral ripping up of tariff schedules. Every reciprocity proposition with Canada has been figuratively and literally a "fishy" proposition. Why not drop fish as a basis and try coal? We export coal to Western Canada. Eastern Canada exports coal to us. The Canadian duty on coal is fifty cents a ton. Our duty on Canadian soft coal is sixty-seven cents a ton. Anthracite is free, but Canada produces no anthracite coal. Why not start a better feeling with Canada by establishing reciprocity in coal?

The advantage of reciprocity over Free Trade is that we do not give our markets away for nothing.

As to trust legislation Senator Frye shows an example worthy of imitation in declaring for reasonable regulation of the big combinations.

The course Senator Frye suggests in regard to such regulation is not the tedious process of a Constitutional Amendment, but an extension of the provisions of the Sherman law along the lines suggested by Attorney General Knox in his Pittsburg speech. If the managers of the great mergers are wise they will co-operate with Senator Frye and with Attorney General Knox and frankly accept the fact that public opinion in the United States will not permit further mystery in regard to inflated capitalization, unreasonably high prices, evasion of existing law or jugglery in corporation book-keeping.

The United States is face to face with a very serious social agitation which has not as yet become seriaus because the people trust the President, and believe that conservative, not radical, supervision of these big combinations is to come.

Only in certain localities has socialism muzzled the press and controlled the publication even of news by its control of the compositors who set the type. Yet it has been done in one city. Only in certain localities has socialism cut off from the means to earn a livelihood every man who wears the uniform of a militiaman. Yet that has been done in another city.

The insistence that no restraint shall be put on great corporations and no legislation undertaken is like an attempt to smother a fire with oil. The American people are reasonable. They do not believe in the red flag. They are the only people in the world or in history sufficiently intelligent to settle the question of a currency basis by a popular vote. They did so settle it.

Revision of the duties that really are needless is the surest safeguard of protection. Correction of the abuses of capitalization that really do exist is the surest safeguard of private ownership.

The *Commercial Bulletin* is not a political paper but it is in accord with the Republican party in its protective policy and on most other questions is with or leans towards that party, but it doesn't favor policies which are against the interests of the section which it represents, which accounts for the interest it takes in free hides and free coal. It is right in insisting upon free hides and coal and it could not dispute that other sections can just as consistently and logically demand the removal of the tariff from articles which they consume and do not produce, but have to buy, which would practically bring up the whole tariff question.

The reciprocity idea, as suggested by the *Commercial Bulletin*, is shared in by many other Republicans, but it is about as difficult to get them to agree on that as it is on tariff revision, for there selfishness comes in too. That is what strangled in the Senate the half-dozen treaties negotiated by General Kasson, of Iowa, who was appointed for that purpose by President McKinley. Some persons found fault with those treaties because they provided for a reduction or removal of duties from some commodity in which they were interested as producers or manufacturers.

The principal objection to the Republican idea of reciprocity is that is too narrow. It is better than none, for it gives some relief to some one and might lead to something broader which would benefit more. If acted upon in a broader spririt it might do much to solve tariff problems and at the same time aid in building up our trade with other nations. A reciprocity system that every nation might get the benefit of would be a decided improvement on reciprocity treaties with a few nations which produce articles that we find useful in our industries and find it necessary to import, and besides a general system would obviate the discussions that every individual treaty would give rise to.

The broad and in the end the sensible position to take would be to extend to every nation the courtesies or favors that it would extend or show to us, reciprocating and doing to them as they would do to us; when they would admit American products free of tariff or other hampering restrictions, do the same with them and open our ports to their products. This would be broad-gauge reciprocity with something in it, which would give our people the benefit of such raw materials as they need and at the same time widen the markets for American products.

This might on first sight have the appearance of "free trade," of which the tariff protected and Republican statesmen seem to be so much afraid, but it wouldn't be for nearly all the governments would select certain articles, to put on the free list which, of sufficient importance we might agree to, but they would all find it necessary to maintain duties upon many articles, to supply the revenues they need.

But carried out in a broad spirit the reciprocity idea might do much in smoothing the way to the solution of the tariff problem.

SENATOR PRITCHARD'S STATEMENT.

Senator Pritchard has given out that statement which he promised and it is characteristically Pritchard-like. He juggles with both facts and figures and gives us a document that is neither truthful nor honest, and will fool nobody down here whether it fools any one anywhere else or not.

To begin with he denies that those negro delegates were excluded from his convention at Greensboro because they were negroes, but asserts that it was because they did not have the proper credentials, and were not duly elected delegates. If this be so, why is it that this is the first time we have ever heard of that, and why didn't Senator Pritchard defend himself and his convention by stating this fact when he and his convention were being so vigorously denounced by the negroes of the State for the refusal to admit those negro delegates? But he gives himself away when he further on says that the elimination of the negroes from the party councils was with the knowledge and approval of "thousands of the best negroes in the State," who felt that it would be the best for the Republican party and for their race, which shows that this action was decided upon by the leaders who were co-operating with Pritchard and therefore that the matter of proper credentials wasn't going to cut any figure at all. But hadn't the word gone along the line that no negroes must be chosen delegates to the State convention, and wasn't that order carried out in all the counties save a few, where the negroes were strong enough to run the county conventions? This trumped up defence is entirely too belated and too transparently fraudulent to count. It may fool people who do not know anything of Republican manipulation in North Carolina, but it will not fool any white people in this State nor any negro of half rate intelligence.

If other proof of the motive in ejecting the negro delegates were wanted it is furnished by the speech of Mr. Charles Price, chairman of the convention, when he congratulated the white Republicans of the State on being, after so many try-years, at last "freed from the boding of death."

After this fraudulent attempt to justify the exclusion of the negroes he devotes much space to juggling with figures to show the great gains his party made on the white vote as the result of eliminating the negro, and its bright prospects of getting on top in 1904 provided there be no interference with the eliminating programme, as mapped out by him and his associates. This is a hint for Roosevelt to keep his hands off, with the virtual promise that the Republican party will be pretty sure of getting the electoral vote of the State in 1904, if he does. And now we are waiting to see J. C. L. Harris, or some other bright anti-Pritchard Republican who is posted, go for this artful dodger and show him up.

Mr. W. T. Gates, of Trenton, N. J., isn't a high liver, but he ate a dinner last Sunday that cost him something over $65. He put that amount in the kitchen stove, for which a gas stove was substituted last Summer, but failed to tell his wife that he had converted the stove into a bank. She started up the old stove and the $65 helped to cook dinner.

The prospects are for high priced coal in the North Atlantic States, at least. At this season of the year the normal output is 300,000 tons a day from the Pennsylvania mines, but the output now is 60,000 tons less than that, and much of the coal mined is being rushed to the West to take advantage of the cheaper transportation before the freezing weather interferes with transportation on the lakes.

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A JAB AT ROOSEVELT.

We have heretofore remarked that the New York *Sun*, which stands by the trusts, is no very warm admirer of Theodore Roosevelt, on whom it soured as soon as he showed a disposition to have his party do something on the line of trust regulating. It has not openly attacked him, but takes what it considers the more effective way of accomplishing its purpose, by contrast and comparisons, and criticisms of the positions taken by the President without directly criticising or scolding him, but doing it all the same.

Ex-Speaker Hon. Thos. B. Reed, who has retired temporarily from active leadership in politics and finds occupation as a corporation lawyer in New York city, took occasion of the meeting of Congress to publish an essay on trust legislation and tariff revision, which appeared in the current number of the *North American Review*, the essay being a defence of trusts and of the Dingley tariff, both of which, Mr. Reed says, the Republicans in Congress will let alone, if they have as much sense as they ought to have. Commenting upon this essay the *Sun* remarks:

The most conspicuous Republican statesman not now holding office contributes an article of great political interest to the number of the *North American Review* which appears today. By a coincidence originating in no intention on his part, Mr. Reed's views of some of the questions now foremost happen to reach the people almost simultaneously with the President's message. A comparison of the respective thoughts and methods of thought is naturally, nay, inevitable, suggested by this accidental conjunction. The accident, however, will be regarded by nobody as unfortunate. On the contrary, the process of public enlightment is bound to profit much hereby.

The two topics of leading importance discussed by Mr. Reed are antitrust legislation by means of Constitutional amendment or otherwise, and tariff revision by means of a non political Commission or otherwise. Concerning both subjects, the opinions which he expresses are marked on this occasion by his usual sanity of judgment and clearness of statement, by the absence of anything like hysteria or the self-consciousness of mental exaltation, and incidentally by the characteristic wit which puts a sparkle as of carbonic acid gas into his spoken or written utterances and makes them often so refreshing to partake.

The recent announcement, through the New York *World*, of Mr. Cleveland's views of public policy, and this evidence of the Hon. Thos. B. Reed's present and active interest in the political problems of the time, plainly indicate that there is to be no trust, syndicate or monopoly in the commodity of high-grade American statesmanship.

It doesn't require any very close reading between the lines to see that while this is complimentary to Mr Reed, it is really more of a swipe at Roosevelt than a compliment to Reed.

Twelve years ago a South Bend, Indiana, man got struck on the head, and was dumb ever since until the other day when going into his cellar he missed his footing fell on his head and recovered his speech. We would not, however, advise other dumb people to try this, for their skulls may not be as tough as his.

Gas Addicks, of Delaware, who is still pulling for the U. S. Senate needs five more votes and the other fellow six, with no prospect of either pulling in the needed number. Here is a chance for Addicks to add some more to the $250,000 he has "blown in" in politics in that State.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally like itself is the price of a mistake, but you will never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle, yet thorough. 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Chief Scott had occasion to visit the pest house Tuesday, when he found the house had been broken into and robbed. The entire contents of the house had been removed. The house, Chief Scott says, was well fitted up for housekeeping.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Officer Benton and Deputy Sheriff Monaghan drove twenty miles Tuesday into the upper end of Carver's Creek, and there located the robbers of Hollingsworth & Co.'s store. They recovered some of the stolen goods, but the robbers had fled the day before. They are well known to the authorities, and the police are sure of bagging them.

— Statesville *Landmark*: Some weeks ago a movement which is designed to secure the abolition of the liquor traffic in Iredell county was inaugurated in Statesville. It is proposed (1) to ask the Legislature to pass an act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor in the county outside of the town of Statesville, and (2) to pass an act authorizing an election to be held in Statesville on the 16th of next March to determine whether the sale of liquor in this town shall be prohibited. Petitions asking for the passage of these acts are being circulated, and it is understood that they are being numerously signed.

— Raleigh *Post*: Curator Brimley of the State Museum has a very large pet bull snake in his office and when his snakeship is hungry he is generally allowed to slay and eat a rat or two. Capturing a very large rat a day or two ago Mr. Brimley made sure the snake was in good fighting trim by having him thoroughly warmed up until he was lithe as Summer time and his tongue ran out and "slicked back" like greased light, and the rat was thrown to him. After a short scrimmage the snake surrendered with the rat on his back bitting him fiercely. Mr. Brimley says it was a decided and positive victory for the rat.

— Chatham *Record*: Mr. W. B. Wilkie, of Cape Fear township, died on last Monday, aged about 73 years. He had been in feeble health for a year or more. — A few days ago our venerable countryman, Mr. Samuel T. Womble, narrowly escaped being killed. While riding a mule it became frightened and threw him, and his foot catching in the stirrup he was dragged about 25 yards when the girth broke and he was released from his dangerous position. He was badly bruised but no bones were broken. — Mr. Oliver McMath, of this county, will be 87 years old to-day and he is the best preserved man of his age whom we have ever known. He rode here horseback last Monday from his home, ten miles distant, and back home without the slightest fatigue. Last week he went on a fox hunt in Moore county. He and his wife celebrated on the 6th of last month the 66th anniversary of their marriage.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— Bad negroes and mobs in Ohio and Indiana continue to educate the people of the North up to the fact that there is no sectionalism in the matter of dealing summary justice to criminals who violate the strongest of the unwritten laws.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

— Ex-Senator Thomas B. Reed's increased ease of mind and comfort of body are generally remarked on his visits to Washington since he abandoned statesmanship for law. In the latter one may openly work for the monopolies, and get well paid for it, too, "sans peur et sans reproche."—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

— "Within the Republican party," says the Hartford *Courant*, "intelligent and patriotic black citizens stand on a footing of equality." This is somewhat indefinite. They stand on a footing of equality outside the Republican party and throughout the country. It will not be claimed, however, that they share political honors and privileges with their white brethren anywhere within the Republican party.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

— Senators Allison, Aldrich, Hale, Platt, of Connecticut; Cullum Lodge, Hanna and Beveridge are among the Republican Senators opposed to the admission of Arizona and New Mexico to statehood, and they speak for the Republican party. They are opposed to admission on the ground that neither Territory has sufficient population, and for other good reasons. The Democrats are are all in favor of admission, as both Territorries are Democratic. under ordinary circumstances; whether or not the Democrats can get a sufficient number of Republicans to carry the bill in the Senate is doubtful.—*Philadelphia Press, Rep.*

TWINKLINGS.

— When a man pays as he goes he always gets a welcome back.—*Philadelphia Record.*

— First Lawyer—How much is Jagsby's estate worth? Second Lawyer—About $10,000 to Jagsby and $200,000 to us.—*Life.*

— Landlady—What portion of the chicken would you like, Mr. Newcomer? Mr. Newcomer—Oh, half of it will be ample, thank you.—*Tit-Bits.*

— The Parson—Has your young friend high ideals? Miss Marmaduke—Has he? Why he expects to be an airship man some day.—*Yonker Herald.*

— Mother? You must go to bed, Lemuel. The little chickens go to bed at sundown. Lemuel: Yes, but the old hen goes with them.—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Nervous Parent—Stop that! Haven't I told you the last fifty times I had to correct you for that that I wouldn't speak so you again about it? *Los Angeles Herald.*

— Willie: What did you see abroad, Archie? Archie: I don't remember exactly; but I did three countries more than Reggie did in the same time.—*Harvard Lampoon.*

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MISTAKE SOMEWHERE.

Why the Colonel Stopped His Score of Chinamen at Five.

"I had read," said the colonel as he was relating some of his experiences in China, "that if a person fell into the water no one could pull him out, holding that his falling in was a decree of Providence that must not be interfered with.

"One day on one of the canals I stumbled and went overboard, and, although there were twelve boatmen, not one of them would extend me a hand. After a close shave, as I cannot swim, I got aboard again, and as soon as I recovered my breath I yelled at the boss boatman:

"'You infernal scoundrel, but why didn't you help me out?'

"'It was your fate to fall in,' he calmly replied.

"'And it's your fate to take a good licking!' I said as I went for him.

"When I had finished him off, I took another, and I was just polishing off my fifth victim when the sixth man halted me to say:

"'There seems to be a mistake here. We are taught that if a person falls into the water he must save himself or drown, but we are not taught that if he does save himself he is at liberty to lick half of China in revenge.'

"I thought his point well taken," laughed the colonel, "and I stopped my score at five and went down to change into dry clothes."—Boston Globe.

Apple Trees For Beauty and Fruit.

Apple trees are so beautiful, even when bare of bloom and fruit, that they should be grown in pleasure gardens, like lilacs and laburnums. Tennyson speaks of orchard lawns, and there is no reason except bad taste why they should not have a real existence. The gloom of the fir tree, magnificent no doubt in its own northern forest, is mere incongruous dreariness when it is dotted about a suburban lawn. Nothing will thrive under it, and often it will not thrive itself, but the apple, with all the associated beauty of the countryside, gives us fruit and blossom and grateful shade. In the grass under it will grow daffodils, columbines, irises and many other plants, or it may be trained as a hedge to divide one part of the garden from another and with all these uses may still produce great crops of fruit. It would be a pleasant task for the suburban gardener with his half acre of ground to grow three or four choice apple trees with the care that others give to roses.—London Speaker.

The Palate Lock.

A woman who had solved the servant girl question by importing a buxom young colored girl from Virginia went out to give her orders for dinner one day and was astounded to see the negro sitting on the floor with her hair, or wool, standing out around her head in a black and shiny nimbus. Not hearing the approach of the mistress, the servant went on with her occupation, which was pulling first one curly lock and then another in a way that suggested that she had either lost a fortune or "got religion." The madam stared a moment and then exclaimed:

"For goodness' sake, Betty, what are you doing?"

The maid hurriedly scrambled to her feet and answered:

"Oh, nothin', ma'am. I'ze got a sore throat and was just tryin' to find the lock what would pull mah palate up and cure the tickle."—New York Times.

To Make an Impression.

Mr. Fargone—My dear friend, I am in despair. That girl's heart is as hard as steel. I can make no impression on it!

Friend—You don't go at it in the right way. Try diamonds. They are harder than steel.

Test Unnecessary.

The beggar doesn't have to be weighed in the balance to be found wanting. —Philadelphia Record.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKET

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ROSIN—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for strained and $1.35 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.50 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	32
Rosin	17
Tar	155
Crude turpentine	51

Receipts same day last year—27 casks spirits turpentine, 169 barrels rosin, 338 barrels tar, 70 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¼	cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6⅞	" "
Low middling	7¼	" "
Middling	7⅞	" "
Good middling	8 11-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 7⅝c for middling.

Receipts—1,786 bales; same day last year, 2,166.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

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EGGS—Firm at 21@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 10@11c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec 4.—Money on call was firm at 3½@6½ per cent; the market closing offered at 3½@4 per ct.; time money very firm—60 days 6 per cent., 90 days 6 per cent, six months, 5¾@6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at a decline, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487.15@487.20 for demand and 483.50@483.60 for sixty days. Posted rates 484½ and 488. Commercial bills 483@484. Bar silver 47⅝. Mexican dollars 37⅝. Government bonds easier. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds were easy. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 107¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¼; U. S. 3's, registered, 107½; do. coupon, 108 U. S. 4's, new registered, 135½; do. coupon, 135½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 118. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 98⅜. Chesapeake & Ohio 46; Manhattan L 148; New York Central 153½; Reading 59; do. 1st preferred 84¼; do. 2nd preferred 73½; St. Paul 174; do. pref'd, 190; Southern Railway 31⅞; do. pref'd 92; Amalgamated Copper ex dividend 56⅝; People's Gas 100¼; Sugar 120; Tennessee Coal and Iron 56⅜; U. S. Leather 12; do. pref'd, 89; Western Union 87⅝; U. S. Steel 36; do. pref'd 83¼; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 61½; do. preferred, 125¼; Standard Oil, 660@670.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 4.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26@26½; do. preferred, 44@44½; bonds, fours, 83@83¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine dull, 53½@54c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 4.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 4.—Spirits turpentine quoted firm, at 50¼c; receipts 863 casks; sales 754 casks; exports 342 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 2,194 barrels; sales 892 barrels; exports 290 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 40, E, $1 45; F, $1 50; G, $1 65; H, $1 80; I, $2 05; K $2 55; M, $3 00; N, $3 50; W G, $3 75; W W, $4 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of three to five points. Subsequent business increased the improvement to seven and nine points. The advance was largely due to the covering of short contracts, although there was a moderate amount of investment buying, following a better class of cables than had been looked for. The rise was further stimulated by continued bad weather accounts from the cotton belt, Texas reporting further frost, and rains elsewhere over extensive areas being a menace to cotton grading. Growing attention is being given to the movement of cotton, which is held in check, the bears claimed, by the scarcity of cars and the continuance of unfavorable weather. The outlook of movement in the near future was towards moderate figures, a fact which checked selling. The New York stock, while steadily growing, is said to be controlled largely by exporter. The market was finally steady at a net rise of one to three points, the advance having been reduced by realizing in the afternoon. Total sales of futures were estimated at 100,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Cotton quiet at 8.50c; net receipts 646 bales; gross receipts 9,579 bales; stock 112,582 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and steady; middling uplands 8.50; middling gulf 8.75c; sales 7,416 bales.

Cotton futures closed steady: December 8.37, Jan'ry 8.28, Feb'ry 8.16, March 8.19, April 8.19, May 8.21, June 8.20, July 8.22, August 8.08.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 57,240 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,046 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 11,795 bales; stock 1,060,379 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 278,074 bales; exports to Great Britain 65,909 bales; exports to France 39,431 bales; exports to the Continent 77,625 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 3,865,729 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,075,409 bales; exports to France 308,124 bales; exports to the Continent 1,146,473 bales.

Dec. 4.—Galveston, quiet at 8⅛c, net receipts 7,442 bales: Norfolk, steady at 8¼, net receipts 3,041 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8.50, net receipts 607 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 1,786 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8.75, net receipts 450 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7⅞c, net receipts 6,532 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7 15-16c, net receipts 18,970 bales; Mobile, steady at 7⅞c, net receipts 991 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8c, net receipts 1,224 bales; Augusta, steady at 8 3-16c, net receipts 646 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7⅞c, net receipts 349 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Flour was more active and firmer. Rye flour dull; fair to good $3 05@3 40. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 79¼. Options closed firm at ⅛@⅝c net advance: Sales included: May closed 79⅜c; July closed —; December closed 80⅛c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 86c. Options closed firm at ⅛@⅝c net advance. Sales: January closed 54c; March closed —c; May closed 48⅛c; July closed —c; December closed 60¾. Oats—Spot firm, No. 2, 36c. Options—May closed 37¾; December closed 37⅛c. Lard firm; Western steam $11 20; refined firm; December closed $11 25, nominal; continent $11 40; South American $11 75; compound 7½@7¾. Pork firm. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 5⅛c; mild steady; Cordova 7½@12c. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 4¼@6⅝c; Japan 4½@5⅛c. Tallow was quiet. Butter steady; extra creamery 29c; State dairy 20@27c. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored fancy September 13¼@13⅝c; late make 12¾@13c; small white 13¼@13⅝c; late make 12¾@13c. Peanuts easy; fancy hand picked 4¾@5c; other domestic 3¼@5¼. Cabbages steady; domestic, per 100, white $1 25@2 25; red $1 50@3 00. Freights to Liverpool —cotton by steam 13. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania average best 28@29c. Potatoes—Market easy; Long Island $1 75@2 05; South Jersey sweets $2 00@3 50; Jerseys $1 75@2 05; New York and Western per 180 lbs., $1 75 @2 00. Cotton seed oil quiet and steady; Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 28@28½c; prime summer yellow 36@36½c; off summer yellow 35½c; prime white 39c; prime winter yellow 40c; prime meal $26 50 @27 00, nominal. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 7-16; centrifugal, 96 test 3 15-16c; refinned firm.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Trading in wheat was extremely dull at times to-day but prices were to-ward a higher level, in the May option closing 2½c. higher, while corn was up ½@⅛c and oats ½c. better. January provisions showed a gain of from 17½c. to 35c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Cash prices: Flour—Market steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 74c; No. 3 spring 69@72½c; No. 2 red 75¼c. Corn—No. 2 54⅜c; No. 2 yellow 56c. Oats—No 2 31@31¼c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 31½@34c. Mess pork, per barrel, quoted at $16 75. Lard, per 100 lbs, $10 65 @10 70. Short rib sides, loose, $8 75 @9 00. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 75@9 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 75@9 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 73⅜ 73½, 73⅜, 72¾, 73¼@73⅛c; May 75⅛ @75⅛, 76, 75¼@75⅜, 75⅞c; July 73¼ @73⅛, 73⅞, 73¼, 73⅛@73⅞c. Corn—No. 2 December 54⅜, 55⅜, 54⅜, 54⅞c; January 48@48⅛, 48¼, 47⅝, 47⅞c; May 43⅛@43¼, 43⅝, 43⅛, 43¼. Oats—No 2 December, new, 30⅞, 31⅛, 30⅛@30⅝, 30⅛@30⅜c; May 32⅜@32¼, 32⅝, 32⅛, 32⅛. Mess pork, per bbl—December $16 00, 16 35, 16 00, 16 35; May $15 20, 15 40, 15 20, 15 40. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $10 27½, 10 35, 10 27½, 10 35; January $9 67½, 9 80, 9 67½, 9 80; May $8 82½, 9 02½, 8 92½, 9 02½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 27½, 8 37½, 8 27½, 8 37½ May $8 10, 8 25, 8 10, 8 25.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 4.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand; prices 4 to 6 points lower; American middling fair 5.08d; good middling 4.60d; middling 4.58d; low middling 4.36d; good ordinary 4.24d; ordinary 4.12d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 8,800 bales American. Receipts 23,000 bales, including 22,900 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed quiet and steady; American middling (g o c) December 4.45d; December and January 4.43@4.44d; January and February 4.43d; February and March 4.43d; March and April 4.43d; April and May 4.43@4.44d; May and June 4.43@4.44d; June and July 4.43@4.44d; July and August 4.43@4.44d.

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A. & Y. Railroad—194 bales cotton, 21 casks spirits turpentine, 37 barrels tar.

Steamer Black River—11 casks spirits turpentine, 14 barrels rosin, 4 barrels tar, 30 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,786 bales cotton, 32 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 149 barrels tar, 51 barrels crude turpentine.

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Loans and Discounts	$196,728 67	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	420 00	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,667 84
Cash on hand. Due from Banks	3,019 68	Accrued interest due to depositors	475 00
		Deposits	145 000 51
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By F. K. Scribner

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The Duke de Biart, a nobleman of ancient ancestry and a young man of great accomplishments, had disappeared from the court and with him the Princess Alice. It was known to the king that the duke had sought to be a churchman, being of gloomy mind and much given to moodiness. But Henry, having small desire to see so great a nobleman turn monk, had played right skillfully the dark eyes of his royal kinswoman against the church.

Strange it was that the duke had not bided his time until the king were ready for a royal wedding. As for me, humble lieutenant of the musketeers that I am, I knew that the princess loved him not, for I had been chosen by his majesty to guard her person and saw her daily. Right well I knew—But that belongs not in this story.

The most important thing was that my king had bidden me, in great secrecy, to choose but one follower and with him to ride to the duke's chateau at M.

The honor of the princess rested in my hand, of which fact Paris must not know.

It was an hour past midnight when I, with the Chevalier de Rossel at my side, rode forth from Paris. De Rossel was in cheerful mood.

"Zounds!" said he, snapping his fingers briskly. "Methinks this Duke de Biart hath o'ershot the mark. Plotting was bad enough, yet he must need, having ridden with his princess beyond the walls, lay violent hands upon her person. Had he but waited, the king's desire had given her to him."

To my mind also came the thought the man must be truly mad; but, despite the weight of the occasion, something within me rejoiced that it lay within my power to undo the duke and return the princess to the king, her uncle.

The duke's dwelling lay some leagues from Paris, so the first dawn overtook us as we rode from the forest which surrounded the chateau on three sides. The place was of some strength, built in the days of the king's grandfather, so perchance some obstacle might lie between us and an entrance.

But upon our reaching the entrance to the dwelling we found it indeed most poorly guarded in that the guard had unbarred the door, the day being full upon us. Moreover, I perceived he was no other than one who had served the king, an ex-musketeer of mine own company.

Seeing me, he stood open mouthed, saluting with much ceremony, nor showed he any disposition to bar our progress.

"Faith," replied he to my greeting, "thou art come from Paris at a most early hour. The duke is yet abed, having come hither but yesterday in company with his cousin, who suffers from a malady."

"What now?" cried De Rossel. "Is the lady stricken?"

"That she is," replied the witless fellow, "for the duke bore her before him on the saddle and hath given her in charge of the women, bidding them look to it she commit no injury upon her person."

"Came they alone?" asked I.

"Only the two," replied he. "Art from the king?"

De Rossel plucked my sleeve. "'Twas told in Paris," said he, "the duke's kinswoman had lost her wits, and 'tis the royal pleasure we learn concerning her condition. It is the purpose of his majesty to send his leech to cure her if occasion warrants it."

The fellow nodded. "The duke is much in favor with the king," said he. "Would see the woman who guards the maid?"

De Rossel cast upon me a look of triumph. "'Twere most fitting," replied he, "for, the hour being early, 'twere an ill thing to arouse the duke, thy master."

"'Tis a most strange thing," muttered De Rossel as we followed the servant through the long and dimly lighted corridor, "beyond comprehension, and methinks there comes a queer twist to our errand. Either this duke be drunk or truly mad; therefore look to it, M. de Marc, that no trap be set for us."

Presently we came unto the door of a chamber, and the servant drew back, signifying 'twas the room wherein was confined the princess.

"Go thou," said De Rossel gruffly. "Thou hast done thine errand." And he put in the fellow's palm a silver piece.

"I will remain here," said he, the man being gone, "and if any come to know our business I will deal with him." So saying, he unsheathed his sword and took his stand beside the door, upon which I knocked softly.

A voice from within demanded who sought admittance at so early an hour, when 'twas small courtesy to disturb a lady's quiet.

I replied that I bore a message from the duke which brooked of no delay, whereupon a bolt was withdrawn, the door partly opened, and the face of a woman appeared.

In the dim light she noted not my person, but demanded irritably that I deliver the message quickly and begone, but I, placing my knee against the half closed door, thrust it back with such force that the woman was thrown to the floor, where she lay stunned.

"'Tis the antechamber to the inner room," said De Rossel, peering over my shoulder. "Go in. I will look to the wench that she make no outcry."

Pushing the heavy draperies guarding the entrance to the inner chamber aside, I entered without ceremony, then paused, for the princess was before me.

Aroused by the sound of voices in the antechamber she had risen from a couch and confronted me. The half light touched her with a glow soft as moonlight, revealing the whiteness of her skin, the gentle curve of her throat and neck and the veiled splendor of the soft, dark eyes.

"My lord," said she, "what means this intrusion? 'Tis but poor courtesy which sends thee hither when I would be alone."

She took me for the Duke de Biart. The shadow of the draperies concealed my features, and I being somewhat the size of the nobleman the mistake was easy. I took a step toward her, the gleam of my hilt flashing in the light. She started, her hand going to a little toy dagger which lay upon the table at her side. Suddenly the color which had risen to her cheeks died away, her lips parted and her hand went to her heart.

"M. de Marc," she cried, "M. de Marc, 'tis thou! Thou wilt save me from this madman!"

"Princess," I replied, "none shall harm thee. The king hath sent me to take thee back to Paris."

She smiled softly, laying her hand upon my arm. "Brave M. de Marc," cried she, "would I might"—

The voice of De Rossel checked her words, his face appearing between the curtains.

"Look to thyself, De Marc!" he cried.

A cry from the princess made me turn sharply. Beyond the circle of light where the dark canopy of the bed met the wall I saw an evil figure, cloaked and booted, plumed hat upon head and naked blade in hand. 'Twas the Duke de Biart, who had entered noiselessly through a secret passage in the wall.

His eyes were fixed upon me in mute astonishment, nor methinks he recognized in the intruder of the princess' chamber the king's musketeer.

As I wavered, my hand upon the hilt, he advanced slowly, his eyes still fixed upon my face.

"Sir," said he very softly, "what would you with this lady?"

The princess crept to my side. "Brave M. de Marc," she whispered, "trust him not. A sudden thrust"—

"Sir," cried the duke a second time, "what is thy business?"

"At the king's command," replied I shortly.

"Aye, the good king," he muttered. "We were to dine together. What of the king?"

De Rossel stepped across the threshold. "The man is mad," he whispered; "mad as a hare. Beware, De Marc."

The sight of him changed the duke's mood.

"Begone!" he cried; then of a sudden he lunged at me with his sword.

As the blood drawn from the prick he gave me in the shoulder appeared upon the lace of my collar the princess cried out, and De Rossel pressed forward.

Angered by the wound, I made to thrust my opponent through the body, but De Rossel thrust my point aside.

"Wouldst slay a madman?" he cried. "There is another way."

Even as he spoke my point, being turned from its true aim, pierced the duke's shoulder. He started back, a wondrous change coming over him. The mad light in his eyes died out, the letting forth of blood o'ercoming the malady. With a bewildered gesture he passed his hand across his eyes.

"O God," he muttered, "what thing be this?"

Suddenly, before I could intervene, he threw himself upon his knees before the princess.

"Madame," cried he, "'tis the curse upon my race. 'Twas for that I sought to be a churchman."

A look of great pity came to the lady's eyes. "My lord," said she, "thou art forgiven. The king"—

"The king!" cried he. "I cannot meet the king!"

With a cry of terror he gained his feet and sought blindly for his sword. I thought he would have set upon us and stood on guard, but 'twas against himself he turned the blade.

Quicker than thought he set the hilt against the wall, pressing the point upon his heart so the steel pierced through ere any could raise a staying hand.

De Rossel bent over the quivering body. "God's death!" he muttered. "'Tis a sorry thing. The madness of the Duke de Biart hath slain him." Then, turning to the princess, who leaned half fainting against my shoulder, spoke he:

"Madame, the horses await below and the king in Paris. Let us ride thither quickly. I warrant M. de Marc will soon become a nobleman."

But what care I for what the king might offer me? In the eyes of the princess I had read that which is not in the gift of kings.

Saxony's Forests.

Saxony possesses one of the best regulated systems of forestry in the world. The forests of Saxony serve not only the purpose of giving the state a substantial annual revenue, but they add a thousandfold to the scenery of the country, thus attracting many tourists into those parts every summer. The most important feature of the forests, however, is the fact that they keep forever alive the fountains of water which spring from the highlands of the Erzgebirge and Saxon Switzerland. The forests furnish the material and the water the motive power to hundreds of pulp, paper and saw mills, which, in turn, give employment to thousands of men, women and children.

Might Have Been Worse.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "that horse you bet on"—

"There's no need of bringing the matter up. I know that my judgment was very bad and all that."

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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Mass., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once, and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

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They Will Be Sold Tuesday and Wednesday.

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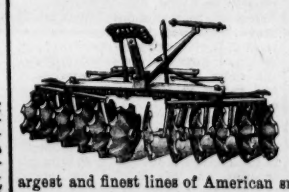

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Statement of The Peoples' Savings Bank,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business November 25th, 1902, condensed from report to Corporation Commission. (Began business April, 1900.)

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 413,979 80	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	199 90	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	10 017 53
Cash on hand and due from Banks	14,175 01	Accrued interest due to depositors	1.500 00
		Deposits	356,837 18
Total	$ 428,354 71	Total	$ 428,354 71

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Deposits.	Loans and Discounts.
November 25th, 1900	$145 880 44	$158,589 13
November 25th, 1901	280,240 03	282,919 25
November 25th, 1902	336,837 18	413,979 80

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For Men are the best wearers and more stylish than any other Men's Shoes known to the American people. Prices for Vici Kid and Pat. Calf $5.00, Pat. Kid and Pat. Colt $6.00. For sale only by

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Rates From Wilmington

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Grand Lodge Colored Masons of N. C., Salisbury, Dec. 9th. Dates of sale Dec. 8th to 11th. Final limit Dec. 20th. Rate $10.50.

W. J. CRAIG,
Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.

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SUBURBAN LINE.

Winter Schedule, in Effect November 25th, 1902.

LEAVE FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS

At *7:00, 9:00, *10:00, 11:00 A. M. *12:00, 1:00, *2:00, 3:00, *4:00, 5:00, *6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR WILMINGTON.

At *8:00, 10:00, *11:00 A. M. 12:00, *1:00, 2:00, *3:30, 4:30, *5:30, 6:30, *6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:30, *10:30, 11:30 A. M. *12:30, 1:30, *2:30 3:30, *4:40, 5:30 P. M.

LEAVE OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:45, *10:45, 11:45 A. M. *12:45, 2:15, *3:15, 4:15, 5:15, *5:45 P. M.

*Sunday only.

†Freight and passenger—daily except Sunday.

Regular Freight Cars leave Ninth and Orange streets at 4:00 P. M. Returning, leaves Wrightsville at 5:30 P. M

CITY LINE.

Leave Front and Princess streets daily, except Sunday, every ten minutes from 7:30 A. M. to midnight.

SUNDAY.

Every ten minutes from 8:30 A. M. to mid night.

S. A. L. CAR.

Leave Fourth and Brunswick streets daily every ten minutes from 11:35 A. M. to 12:05 P. M. and from 2:35 P. M. to 2:55 P. M.

CEMETERY CARS.

Leave Tenth and Princess streets every day every half hour from 2:00 P. M. to 5:30 P. M. Last car leaves Cemetery 5:35 P. M.

DELGADO AND GOLF LINKS.

Cars leave Tenth and Princess streets every day and every half hour from 2:10 P. M. to 5:40 P. M. Last car leaves Golf Links at 5:50 P. M.

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Furnished on three hours' notice over any part of the City or Suburban Line from $3.00 to $15.00, according to the service.

A. B. SKELDING, Gen'l Manager.

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Nov. 22.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 1:22 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5:44 P. M., Pembroke 6:10 P. M., Maxton 6:40 P. M., Hamlet 7:25 P. M., Charlotte 10:22 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 A. M., Hamlet at 8:25 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:10 A. M., Pembroke 9:43 A. M., Lumberton 10:08 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	9 45 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Monroe	11.25 a m	9.15 a m
Ar Charlotte	....	10.35 a m
Ar Chester	12.51 a m	10.30 a m
Ar Greenwood	3.35 a m	12.37 p m
Ar Athens	2 52 a m	5.58 p m
Ar Atlanta	7.35 a m	4.00 p m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	9.45 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Columbia	1.15 a m	11.30 a m
Ar Savannah	7.35 a m	4.55 p m
Ar Jacksonville	7.00 a m	9.15 p m
Ar Tampa	6.45 p m	6.00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.30 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.35 p m
Ar Portsmouth		7.15 a m 5.35 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	8.40 a m 7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.30 a m	11.45 a m 11.10 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.35 a m 1.35 p m
Ar Petersburg	5.53 a m	4.07 p m 4.47 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	4.55 p m 5.40 p m
Ar Washington	10.10 a m	6.30 p m
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.25 p m
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.25 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 12.35 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.37 p. m.; Portsmouth 2.05 p. m.; Norfolk 5.30 p. m.; Raleigh 4.15 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 7.00 a. m. From train 35, leaving Atlanta 1.00 p. m.; Athens 2.57 p. m.; Chester 4.15 a. m.; Charlotte 8.01 a. m.; Monroe 8.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 9.30 a. m.

From train 66 leaving Jacksonville 4.30 p. m.; Savannah 12.10 p. m.; Columbia 3.58 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 8.23 a. m.

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to Thomas D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Nov. 30, 1902.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. — No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.46 A. M., Florence 9.05 A. M., Lanes 11.36 A. M., Charleston 1.10 P. M.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. — No. 53—Due Fayetteville A. M. 12.20 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.40 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.55 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. — No. 43—Due Magnolia 11.05 A. M., Warsaw 11.21 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.54 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.35 P. M., Petersburg 6.45 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.40 P. M., Baltimore 1.36 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.08 A. M., *Boston 8.35 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M — No. 52—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 35—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.03 P. M., Chadbourn 5.40 P. M. Marion 6.56 P. M., Florence 8.15 P. M. Sumter 9.30 P. M., Columbia 12.55 P. M. Denmark 6.31 A. M., Augusta 8.35 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 3.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 12.50 A. M., Tampa 12.00 P. M

DAILY 7.00 P. M — No. 49—Due Magnolia 8.32 P. M., Warsaw 8.42 P. M., Goldsboro 9.18 P. M., Wilson 10.43 P. M., †Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.28 P. M. Weldon 1.45 A. M., †Norfolk 1.00 P. M. Petersburg 3.16 A. M., Richmond 4.07 A. M., Washington 7.54 A. M., Baltimore 9.10 A. M., Philadelphia 11.55 A. M., New York 1.58 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON.

DAILY 10.10 A. M. — No. 41—From North Richmond. Wilson.

DAILY 12.15 Noon. — No. 63—From Newbern.

DAILY 1.40 P. M. — No. 54—From Tampa, Jacksonville, Charleston.

DAILY [5.45 P M — No. 49—From North Richmond. Wilson;

DAILY 8.00 P M — No. 53—From Sanford. Fayetteville.

DAILY except Sund'y 11.45 P M — No. 50—From Charleston Florence.

PULLMAN Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington on trains [Nos. 40 and 41.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent

H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business November 25, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,162,406 63
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		940 32
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		95,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		175,900 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		18,069 68
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		91,251 63
Due from State Banks and Bankers		115,906 29
Due from approved reserve agents		196,904 86
Notes of other National Banks	$10,000 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,854 16	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$34,545 00	
Legal tender notes	101,300 00	147,899 16
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,945,078 52

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	35,757 08	160,757 08
National Bank notes outstanding		95,100 00
Due to other National Banks	271,853 09	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	267,541 10	
Dividends unpaid	392 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	801,050 99	
Certified checks	4,696 30	
Cashier's checks outstanding	44,887 86	
United States deposits	175,800 00	1,564,221 44
Total		$1,945,078 52

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of November, 1902.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

C. W. YATES, R. A. PARSLEY, GEO. R. FRENCH, } Directors.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 55	Kinston	10 15	.....
7 40	5 50	Newbern	9 37	9 20
7 08	7 07	Morehead City	7 35	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at New bern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 4.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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ONEIDA ..... Saturday, Nov. 29

From Wilmington for New York.

ONEIDA ..... Saturday, Nov. 22
CLYDE ..... Saturday, Nov. 29

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ONEIDA ..... Tuesday, Nov. 18
CLYDE ..... Tuesday, Oct. 28

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5.

NEW STATE GUARD COMPANIES.

Three Admitted This Week—Board of Agriculture—Charters by the State.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 4.—Adjutant General Royster announces the acceptance of the Kinston Rifles as Company B, Second Regiment, and the Surry Rifles, of Mount Airy, as Company K, Third Regiment, State Guard. The Lexington Wild Cats were admitted yesterday to be a company in the Third Regiment.

The Board of Agriculture adopted the budget for expenses of the Agricultural Department for the next six months to-day, amounting to $31,111. Budget, same period last year, $47,000, including $9,000 for the Charleston Exposition. The finance committee's report says the expenses of the department for the last three years have been entirely beyond the means of the Board and the income is getting less each year. The Board adopted a memorial to the Legislature to-night asking for $50,000 for an agricultural building at the A. & M. College.

Charters were issued to day to the Carolina Steel Bridge and Construction Company, of Burlington, capital $250,000; Pythian Castle Company, Charlotte, no capital; J. M. Wadsworth Company, Charlotte, $125,000 capital.

HOSPITAL FOR COLORED INSANE.

Inspection of Institution by Members of State Board of Health.

[Special Star Telegram.]

GOLDSBORO, N. C., December 4.—Dr. J. L. Nicholson, of Richlands, and Dr. Frank Duffy, of Newbern, members of the State Board of Health, were in the city to-day and made an inspection of the Eastern Hospital for the colored insane, as regards its sanitary condition. They found the institution in a comparatively good condition, but will recommend a number of improvements that will add to the comfort and well being of the inmates. They state that the conditions indicate excellent supervision and care upon the part of the officials.

RAIN AND SNOW.

Cold Wave and Storm in Mississippi. Temperature Below Freezing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

JACKSON, MISS., Dec. 4—General rain and snow storms prevailed throughout the entire State to-day. Rain fell all night and was followed by snow to-day. This is the earliest snow known here in years. Business is practically at a standstill, telegraph wires are prostrated and railway traffic has been impeded to some extent.

VICKSBURG, MISS., Dec.—A cold wave accompanied by rain, snow, sleet and a stiff southwest gale, struck this section of Mississippi early this morning and raged furiously all day. Snow, the heaviest seen here in many years, fell for several hours, but melted as soon as it struck the earth. The temperature is below freezing to-night.

SENATE ONLY IN SESSION.

Most of the Time Was Spent Behind Closed Doors.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The Senate was in session to-day one hour and five minutes, most of which time was spent behind closed doors. After the reception of a number of bills and petitions and the adoption of a concurrent resolution calling on the President for the papers in the Pius fund case, recently arbitrated before The Hague tribunal, Senator Beverage had read the resolutions adopted by the delegates to the Oklahoma non-partisan convention favoring the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one State and opposing the House Omnibus Statehood bill. On motion of Senator Hoar the Senate then went into executive session and at 1:05 adjourned until Monday.

MINISTER BUCK DEAD.

Died Suddenly in Japan While Duck Shooting Near Tokio.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

YOKOHOMA, Dec. 4.—United States Minister Buck died this afternoon, while at the imperial duck shoot. The cause of his death is supposed to have been apoplexy. Another report says Mr. Buck's death was due to heart failure. The hunt occurred in the suburbs of Tokio.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 4.—Hon. Alfred E. Buck was about 60 years old. Many years ago he removed to Atlanta and became a leader in Republican politics in Georgia. For some years he served as United States marshal of Georgia. His last visit to Atlanta was made about one year ago.

WARM WIRELETS.

The street-car strike at Houston, Texas, was settled yesterday and the cars at once began running.

Charles Henley Butler, an attorney, of New York city, has been appointed reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States.

At 11:30 o'clock last night the condition of ex-Speaker Thos. B. Reed, who has been ill in Washington since Tuesday evening, was reported to be critical.

Mrs. Ellen Orbeson, widow of John Harris, formerly United States consul at Venice, and a distinguished Confederate nurse, died at Florence, Italy, yesterday. She was 86 years of age.

Naval Constructor Dubose has reported to the Navy Department that it will require $32,000 to reconstruct the dry dock which recently parted while in Havana harbor and was towed from there to the Pensacola naval station.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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For Infants and Children.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

PRACTICAL MINERS TELL THEIR STORY

At the Sessions of the Anthracite Commission Held Yesterday in Scranton.

CONDITIONS ARE DEPLORABLE

Rumors of Negotiations Towards a Settlement Outside the Commission Continue—Opinion Prevails That Agreement Will be Reached.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 4.—At to-day's sessions of the Anthracite Strike Commission the representatives of the mine workers continued to call witnesses, mostly practical miners, who told the story of the conditions as they exist in the Hazelton, or middle coal fields. The miners tried to show by these witnesses that the Coxe and other companies had violated the agreement entered into by both sides when the commission was appointed, that the strikers should return to work and be given their old places back where they had not already been filled. Some of the witnesses called testified that they were not given back their old places and maintained that men prominent in the union in the various localities during the strike were discriminated against. The commission has decided to invite the mine inspectors to appear before them, because the miners claim that the workman fear to inform the mine inspectors of dangerous or unhealthy places in the mines because the inspectors are usually accompanied by some representative of the company who may cause the man's dismissal. This is a new point before the commission. Rumors of possible negotiations towards a settlement outside the commisoion continue to be heard. Lawyers admit they have heard such rumors, but say they know nothing about a possible settlement. Whatever is done will be first decided upon in New York, where those in authority to act are located. Several attorneys, among them W. W. Ross, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company, have returned to the metropolis. Whether or not it is in connection with peace negotiations cannot be learned here.

The opinion still prevails here, and rather strongly, too, that the operators and miners will agree on most of the points before the commission concludes its hearings.

Jackson H. Bach, of the Hazelton region, was one of the most interesting witnesses, because he is the first fireman to appear before the commission. He said he received $1.57 for a day of twelve hours, and his assistants $1.25. On every other Sunday when he and his assistants shifted from day to night work they were compelled to work twenty-four hours straight without relief. This statement caused a buzz through the court room and every commissioner straightened up and became more interested. In answer to a question put by the commission he said he was off duty one day every two weeks, thus working six days a week and eight days the following week.

"Supposing you should fall asleep when you work in the long shift of twenty-four hours what would happen?" asked Mr. Darrow.

"Well," he replied, "if I slept long enough the fans would stop, gas would accumulae in the mintes, and if an explosion took place some man might be killed; that's all."

Rev. James Hussie, rector of St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic church, Hazelton, said he had lived in the coal regions practically all his life. "The conditions in this region," he said, "are deplorable. The mine workers are barely able to exist. I have been in their homes. They are not homes, but merely a habitation, a resting place. They are frugal, conservative, reasonable and a God-fearing people."

Families cannot be kept together, he said. The boys are sent into the mines almost as soon as "they are able to toddle out" and the girls are sent to mills in the small towns in the vicinity or drift into the large cities. He related instances of poverty, and said that it took one man six years before he was able to pay off a funeral debt of $200. He examined the tax lists of Hazelton, he said, and in a population of which perhaps 70 per cent. was made up of mine workers, only eighty mine employes out of 1,723 persons assessed owned their own homes.

Andrew Mattey, a Slavonian, said he was the means of bringing fourteen Slavonians to this country at the instance of a breaker-boss at the Coxe mines. They were promised $1.10 a day, but received only 65 to 80 cents a day. He told how he had been paid to go to Hazelton and meet the "green horns," who had been shipped by his mother from Europe. Judge Gray, evidently thinking that the alien laws were being violated, became greatly interested and, leaning toward the witness, said: "When was this?"

"Seventeen years ago," replied the Hungarian.

"Oh," said the judge as he leaned back in his chair, and a wave of laughter swept over the court room.

The commission then adjourned until to-morrow.

To-day was set as the limit for the coal companies to answer the submission made by the miners, but the Coxe companies' time was extended until to-morrow, the officials of the company being absent and not prepared to make answer. Besides the large companies which signed the request made to President Roosevelt for the appointment of the arbitration committee thirty-nine companies have up to to-day signified their willingness to abide by the decision of the arbitrators.

FLOOD IN RED RIVER.

Bottom Lands Flooded—Families Forced to Leave Their Homes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SHREVEPORT, LA., Dec. 4—Red river continues to rise at Shreveport and points above. It will go above the danger line here before morning. The bottom lands, inhabited principally by negroes, are rapidly filling with water. A number of families have been forced to leave their homes.

The gap in the levee at Bleacher, twenty miles above Shreveport, is reported to be widening. There appears to be no immediate danger of loss of life, though there will be considerable suffering and heavy crop and live stock losses.

The Knoxville and Bristol railroad, of which H. J. Braker, of New York, was president, was sold yesterday to a syndicate headed by Bird M. Robinson, of New York, who is president of the Harriman and Northeastern railroad.

Ordinary cough remedies are dangerous to give babies. Anway's Croup Syrup is made for children's coughs and croup and colds and will certainly cure them. Ask to see testimonials. 5 cents at Robert R. Bellamy's.

ONE LEGAL TENDER AND THAT GOLD.

N. Y. Chamber of Commerce's Report On Measure to Provide Against Tightness in the Money Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The finance and currency committee of the Chamber of Commerce made a report to-day on "a feasible measure to provide against tightness in the money market." The report says, in part:

"We must come right down to the proposition that the only thing which can be done to make our financial system safe and sound and solid is to get down to one legal tender and that is gold, then to bank upon a currency circulation enlarged beyond the present authorized issues of national banks, and based upon the credit of the legitimate trade of the country, and rigidly safeguarded under the law.

The report suggests that banks be permitted to retire their circulation at will; recommends that the coinage of $1,500,000 silver dollars per month cease, and that the silver bullion and silver dollars in the treasury be coined into subsidiary silver coins; that the Secretary of the Treasury be permitted to deposit customs receipts as well as internal revenue receipts in national banks.

The report was adopted and the committee was directed by resolution to present the report in person to the President of the United States.

FLOODS IN GEORGIA.

Water Courses Out of Their Banks and Bridges Washed Away.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 4.—Heavy rains have fallen throughout south Georgia for four days. Reports from Bainbridge, Valdosta and Waycross say water courses are out of their banks and houses in towns are flooded and bridges washed away. Bainbride reports a rainiall of above thirteen inches in four days. At Valdosta to-day a small boy was struck and killed by lightning. Railroad schedules are being interrupted by high water.

Oliver Wendell Holmes was confirmed by the Senate to succeed the late Justice Gray as a member of the bench of the United States Supreme Court. There was no opposition and the nomination was not discussed.

MAN AND MARRIAGE.

Sage Advice About Methods Before and After the Ceremony.

In "Her Royal Highness Woman" Max O'Rell gives some very sage advice to men as to what they should and should not do both before and after marriage. The following extracts will be of interest to readers:

Never marry a woman richer than you, one taller than you or one older than you. Be always gently superior to your wife in fortune, in size and in age, so that in every possible way she may appeal to you for help or protection, either through your purse, your strength or your experience in life. Marry her at an age that will always enable you to play with her all the different characteristic parts of a husband—a chum, a lover, an adviser, a protector and just a tiny suspicion of a father.

However ill you may speak or think of women, you will always find a woman able to do it better than you.

Never let your ladylove see you without a collar—no, not even the very wife of your bosom. A man's head without a collar is like a bouquet without a holder.

Never let her see you asleep. Maybe you sleep with your mouth open. If you are married, let your wife sleep first. When you are quite sure she is off, let yourself go, and be careful to wake up first in the morning.

Bismarck on Champagne.

Years ago, when Baron Hengelmuller was assistant secretary of the Austrian embassy at Berlin, Bismarck gave a dinner to which the baron was invited. All the guests except Von Hengervar drank champagne, and Bismarck, noting the young man's abstinence, asked the reason therefor.

"I have not yet earned the right so to indulge," was the reply.

"Ah, that will not do," remarked Bismarck; "it is allotted to every ablebodied man in this world to consume in his lifetime 10,000 bottles of champagne. So you should begin now lest you fail to secure your just portion."

"If 10,000 bottles be the allotment for the ordinary man," responded the young diplomatist, bowing to the Iron Chancellor, "your excellency, being an extraordinary man, should have double allowance, and I therefore take great pleasure in awarding my share to you."

"I thank you," Bismarck replied, "but permit me to inform you that without waiting for your grand renunciation I have already passed the 20,000 mark."—Saturday Evening Post.

She'll Sing Hereafter.

A charming young lady of Kensington who glories in the possession of a wealth of bright auburn colored hair is the teacher of a Sunday school class. On a recent Sabbath the rector made the announcement of a hymn to be sung and, rising, waved his hands, and the organ pealed forth.

"Now," said he, "ready—sing."

A small and precocious youth in the young woman's class said:

"Why don't you sing, Miss Frisbee?"

"Me? Oh, I never sing," replied the teacher, smiling her prettiest.

"But," exclaimed the boy, "the minister says you must. Didn't he just say 'Now, Reddy, sing?'"

Smelling salts and numerous other restoratives had to be used to bring the teacher out of her faint.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Choleric Versus Quiet Natures.

Clarendon, says The Schoolmaster, made careful observation when he wrote: "Angry and choleric men are as ungrateful and unsociable as thunder and lightning, being in themselves all storm and tempests; but quiet and easy natures are like air weather, welcome to all and acceptable to all men; they gather together what the others disperse and reconcile all whom the others incense; as they have the good will and the good wishes of all other men, so they have the full possession of themselves, have all their own thoughts at peace and enjoy quiet and ease in their own fortune, how strait soever it may be."

Honest Praise.

An honest compliment was that paid to M. de Vendome, who, while commanding the French army in Italy, dispatched a young nobleman to announce to his master the victory which he had gained at Suzzara. The latter, while attempting to describe the battle, became several times much confused in his narrative, when, although the king preserved his gravity, the Duchess of Burgundy, who was present, laughed so heartily that at last the young gentleman said, "Sire, it is easier for M. de Vendome to win a battle than for me to describe it."

FOURTEEN PERSONS LOST THEIR LIVES.

Horrible Catastrophe, the Result of a Fire in the Lincoln Hotel at Chicago.

BUILDING WAS A FIRE-TRAP.

Guests Suffocated or Burned to Death. Some Died in Their Rooms, Others Jumped and Were Killed—The Stairway in Flames.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Fourteen persons among the scores crowded into the Lincoln Hotel at 176 Madison street met death shortly before 6 o'clock this morning in a fire which will pass into local history as one of the most horrible catastrophe ever experienced. Death came suddenly to a few, but with awful slowness to others who were penned in the death trap and suffocated or burned to death. Some died in their rooms, some chanced all in jumping and lost, while others found in the hallways where they had expired with their fingers dug into the cracks of the floor.

All of the bodies were recovered, as the hotel was not destroyed. The identified dead are M. M. Handy, Janesville, Wis.; Edward Toner, Milwaukee, Wis; H. K. Wood, Lebanon, Ind.; B. F. Boswell, Chicago; Samuel L. Yocum, Davenport, Iowa; J. C. Yocum, Davenport, Iowa; F. L. Ewing, Marietta, O.; A. B. Coon, Marengo, Ill; T. C. Slocum, Wayconda, Ill.; Ward Lowe, Minneapolis; C. P. Cowen, St. Louis; F. W. Carey, Bucyrus, O. Two others, including one who died on the way to the hospital have not been identified.

The victims were taken to Rollston's Morgue and all day the place was filled with anxious people interested in the dead or seeking to assure themselves of the safety or friends or relatives.

A Veritable Fire-trap.

The building was a fire-trap of the worst kind, according to experts. There were but two exits, a narrow stairway leading down the four floors of the building and an uncompleted fire-escape in the rear.

The fire started on the second floor, presumably from a lighted cigar dropped on the carpet. Guests occupying upper rooms in the front part of the hostelry, aroused by the screams of a woman, were able to escape by the stairway, and about thirty people reached safety by means of the fire-escape. To add to the horror, however, this gave way while others were attempting to escape, and three men were dashed to death on the pavement of the alley below.

For the people still in the rear rooms, there was now no escape save by jumping. The stairway was in flames and the fire escape gone. Horror stricken faces appeared at the windows and cried frantically for help. Firemen cried back to them to wait until nets or mattresses could be brought, and those who did wait escaped with slight injuries. But some, crazed with fright, jumped to the pavement and were either killed or badly hurt.

An Awful Scene.

With great difficulty the fire, although comparatively a small one, was subdued, but it was some time before rescuers could penetrate the dense bank of smoke which filled the place. It was an awful scene which met their gaze. The dead or unconscious were lying stretched on the floors, and in some cases on their beds. Some had attempted to slip on a garment before making for the street, but had been overcome. But most of them were in their night clothes.

Stores and other hotels in the vicinity were filled with men and women who had escaped with only their night-gowns. An investigation will be made. A fire wall around the elevator and other precautionary alterations had been ordered some time ago, but the matter had been neglected.

Of the people injured it was necessary to take only three to the hospitals. Others suffering from slight cuts and bruises, or from the inhalation of smoke, were cared for at neighboring drug stores and departed without their names being reported to the police.

Chief Mushan, of the fire department, said that in some ways it was the worst fire he had attended during his career as a fireman, and that so dense was the smoke that it was impossible to reach the imprisoned guests, who died like rats in a cage. When the firemen finally managed to make their way into the room the sight that met their gaze was appalling. Men and boys lay about the floors of the room and hall-ways where they had fallen in their eagerness to escape.

"The building," said the chief, "was one of the worst fire-traps I have ever seen. The floors in places had cracks in them large enough to drop a penny through and the smoke just sifted through and suffocated the inmates of the room before they had time to make their escape to the hall-ways.

Cause of the Fire.

A jury was impanelled this afternoon by Coroner Traeger to ascertain the causes of the disaster and to fix the guilt or "negligence." After viewing the bodies of the victims of the fire, the jury went to the hotel, where an examination was made of the premises. The jurors were then dismissed to meet for the inquest, which will begin December 12th. At the conclusion of the inspection Coroner Traeger said:

"The fire undoubtedly was caused by the explosion of an oil stove in the rear of the third floor. The building is very carelessly constructed, the fire-escape is worthless, the rooms are outrageously small and it is nothing short of a crime that such a building should have been used as as a housing-place for human beings.

Claddagh Rings.

The old "poesy rings" are a much sweeter souvenir than more modern ones. A friend has one which had belonged to her great-grandmother, such a narrow gold circlet. The motto, engraved inside in old lettering, was as follows: "God above increase our love." The "Claddagh" rings of Ireland are now very difficult to procure—that is, the genuine specimens, of course. There are many imitations. These rings were heirlooms with the people of the Claddagh, a distinct gypsylike race of fishermen, and were handed down from mother to daughter as a wedding ring, a marriage being scarcely considered legal if an ordinary ring were substituted. They were made of massive gold, decorated with a heart, bearing a crown supported by two clasped hands, signifying loyalty, love, friendship.

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The privilege of hunting on my lands near Wilmington having been leased, all persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, ranging or otherwise trespassing on said lands

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For terms apply to

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Big Vaudeville Company.

Entire Change of Programme.

Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.

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Rhine Wine,	Vintage	1898,	per gal.,	$1.00
Port	"	1900,	" "	1.00
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Executor's Notice.

The undersigned having qualified as Executors of the last will and testament of C. E. Dorothea Harlem, late of the county of New Hanover, deceased, hereby notify all who are indebted to the estate of their Testatrix, to make early payment, and all having claims against said estate to present the same, duly authenticated, either to the undersigned, or to their attorneys, Bellamy & Bellamy, at their offices in the City of Wilmington, on or before the 25th day of October, 1903, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 21st day of October, 1902.

ELIZABETH VOLLERS,

C. B. SELLOIS,

Executors of the last will and testament of C. E. Dorothea Harlem.

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We have small face bags, half and one pint bottles and one and two quart bottles. Some of them we guarantee for two years. When in need call and see the assortment at

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NOTICE.

On Monday, Dec 1st, we will open a first class Grocery store in every particular at No. 15 South Front street. We will supply you with everything in our line perfectly fresh, of the very best quality and at moderate prices.

We would be much pleased to open an account with as many responsible parties as will favor us, particularly our old customers. Respectfully,

Wilmington Grocery.

JNO. L. BOATWRIGHT, Manager.

nov 30 tf

C. C. NUTS.

12,500 C. C. Nuts, 3½c.
2,350 pounds Loose Raisins, 7½c.
218 boxes L. L. Raisins, $1.75.
129 bbls. Baldwin Apples, $2.75.
247 boxes Mixed Nuts, 11½c.
241 boxes Smoked Herring, 18c.
1,980 bushels New Peanuts, 3½c.

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Apples, Cocoanuts, Mixed Nuts, Raisins, Candies, Cakes.

All fresh choice stock. Prices low. Send in your orders before the rush begins and avoid delay.

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Announcement.

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Respectfully announces to the public that we are ready to contract for any work in our line, viz: Manufacturers of Sheet Metal Cornices, Skylights, Finials, Crestings, Mill Work, Stack Work, Hot Air Furnace Work, Roofing, etc. General Repair Work a specialty. Prompt attention; moderate prices. nov 30 1w

These busy days our Store is thronged with customers.

I am glad to see them come. We try to make their shopping in our store a pleasure, and also profitable to them. Our large store is taking on a Christmas appearance. We are receiving large quantities of our Holiday Goods, of which we are selling quite a good many.

In our Clothing Department we are doing a very nice business. Our beautiful suits are worn throughout Carolina. We have plenty left for you. We keep in stock new and up to-date. For your Christmas suit come to us. We will sell you a beautiful black Worsted Suit for $5.00, and a nice pretty Serge Suit for $5.00. Pretty colored Cheviot Suits for $4.00. Black Clay Suits for $2.98. In real nice suits for $7.50, $9.00, $10.00 and $12.50 we have a good many styles. If you are thinking of buying a nice suit and would like to save money on your purchase we will ask that you look over our stock.

Shoes! Shoes!!—Cold weather has come and every one needs shoes. We have Baby Shoes from 10c to 50c a pair. Misses Shoes, 5 to 8, strictly all solid, at 50c; 9 to 12, at 60c and 75c; 13 to 2, at 75c and $1.00. Real nice little Gents' Shoes worth $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50. The Old Homestead Shoes for Boys and Girls, which are worth $1.75 and $2.00, we have them for $1.25 and $1.50.

Ladies' and Misses Ready-to-Wear Hats!—We have just bought out a large wholesale house in New York city. We have the latest shapes and the most nobby trimming at half price. A nice line of $1.00 Hats we are selling at 50c. We have a beautiful line in swell styles at 75c, 89c and $1.00 each. Our $1.25 Hats are the latest things that are made. The price is the only cheap thing about them. We mean what we say—we are selling them at half price. Fancy feather breasts and wings at reduced prices. A big lot of wings, breasts and feathers at 10c—goods that have been selling at 25c.

Fifty dozen pretty felt hats to close at 25c each.

A nice line of new furs, ladies' scarfs with three tails, we are running at 98c; a very handsome scarf in different colors for $1.98 each; we have a full line of these goods from 98c to $5.00 each.

Ladies' and Misses' cloaks—We are receiving these goods new daily. We have good clocks for $2 89, $3 75, $5 00. Nice Monte Carlo cloaks at $6.00, $8.00, $10.00. Automobile coats $6.00 up to $12.00; children's coats $98c to $5.00 each.

Our cloak department seems to be in great demand. If you are thinking of buying a new wrap of any kind we would like to say we are headquarters for them. Ladies skirts—Black mercerized underskirts—we have an extra nice line, beautifully made up with ruffles and flounces and absolutely fast colors; skirts at 50c and 75c, with accordeon pleated bottoms; our $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $2 00 skirts are, we think, the prettiest line in the city. We also have the knit skirts from 50c to $1.50.

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Our Corset Department keeps well abreast with the times. Our R & G. Corsets we have reduced, to close out, at cost; $1.00 corset for 75c and the 75c corset for 60c; we sell the best 50c corset sold in the city; will sell you a good corset for 38c, 25c and 38c.

Our large store is a popular trading place. We keep our large stock fully up to the season. All customers wishing to have their photos enlarged into life size oil paintings before Christmas can do so by coming down and making arrangements with us, whether they have traded the required $20 or not. We will be glad to have them ready for you to use as Christmas presents.

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The Newest Things in Men's Neckwear.

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The new Four-in-hand Ties, full length, of elegant material, in black with white embroidered flowers. Black with red or blue satin stripe on edge. White with black stripe in center, and many other new designs, sold by most stores for 65 and 75c. Nothing nicer for Christmas presents for stylish young men. Our introductory price 50 cents.

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STATEMENT OF

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

At close of business Nov. 25th, 1902, condensed from report to Corporation Commission.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 2 00	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Real estate	1,000 00	Deposits	951,400 34
Loans and Discounts	926,970 94	Accrued interest due depositors	8,948 97
Cash on hand and due from banks	109,425 48	Net Profits	52,345 1
Total	$1,037,898 42	Total	$1,037,898 42

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.

C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

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